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EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: EIND, SA

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR EMBASSY VIEWS ON SAUDI

FINANCIER ADNAN KASHOGI

1. I HAVE RECEIVED LETTER FROM TEODOR MOSCOSO, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION, COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO, REQUESTING EMBASSY VIEWS ON WELL-KNOWN SAUDI FINANCIER ADNAN KASHOGI. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING TO MOSCOSO ASAP AS KASHOGI ARRIVING PUERTO RICO FOR MEETING WITH GOVERNOR NOVEMBER 25.

2. QUOTE: PROFILE ON KAHSOGI IN "BUSINESS WEEK" ARTICLE OF JULY 23, 1973 ENTITLED "IS THERE AN ARAB IN YOUR FUTURE?" GIVES FARILY ACCURATE PICTURE. HIS BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL INTERESTS ARE CERTAINLY EXTREMELY LARGE AND WIDESPREAD, BOTH IN AND OUT OF SAUDI ARABIA, AND HE HAS BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL IN REPRESENTING U.S. FIRMS IN SAUDI ARABIA ON VARIOUS IMPORTANT DEALS. HE UNQUESTIONABLY HAS CONSIDERABLE INFLUENCE WITH CERTAIN KEY SAUDI GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. INCLUDING THE MINISTERS OF DEFENSE AND INTERIOR AS WELL AS YAMANI; BUT IS EQUALLY DISLIKED BY OTHERS, INCLUDING THE KING. HIS  
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CRITICS CONDEMN HIM AS AN UNSCRUPULOUS WHEELER-

DEALER. IN ANY EVENT, REGARDLESS OF HIS PERSONAL  
RELATIONSHIP WITH YAMANI HE SHOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED  
AS SPEAKING FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF SAUDI ARABIA  
AS SUCH, THOUGH HE MIGHT PROVE A VERY USEFUL  
INTERMEDIARY. THE QUESTION OF DOING BUSINESS  
WITH KASHOGI MUST BE BALANCED BETWEEN HIS  
INDISPUTABLY CONSIDERABLE ENTREPRENURIAL TALENTS  
AND CONNECTIONS ON HAND, AND HIS QUESTIONABLE  
REPUTATION AND THE THIN POLITICAL ICE ON WHICH  
HE SKATES ON THE OTHER. UNQUOTE.  
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